

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND**

In re: Mortgage Foreclosure Cases

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Misc. No. 11-mc-88-M-LDA

ORDER

On November 6, 2012, this Court issued an Order appointing Ms. Barbara Hurst as Deputy Special Master in this matter with all of the same duties and authority given by this Court to the Special Master in the Second Amended Order of July 13, 2012. As similarly provided in that Second Amended Order, the Deputy Special Master, as a duly appointed agent and officer of the Court, shall enjoy absolute quasi-judicial immunity, the same protections from being compelled to give testimony and from liability for damages as those enjoyed by other federal judicial adjuncts performing similar functions.¹

IT IS SO ORDERED:

/s/ John J. McConnell, Jr.
John J. McConnell, Jr.
United States District Judge

January 16, 2013

¹ See *Atkinson-Baker & Assocs, Inc.. v. Kolts*, 7 F.3d 1452, 1454-55 (9th cir. 1993) (applying the doctrine of absolute quasi-judicial immunity to a Special Master).